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Favourable reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

A Petition for an Extension of Time requesting an extension of three months for filing the subject response is enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees for same to our Deposit Account No. 500663. A signed copy of this page is enclosed if required for this purpose.

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